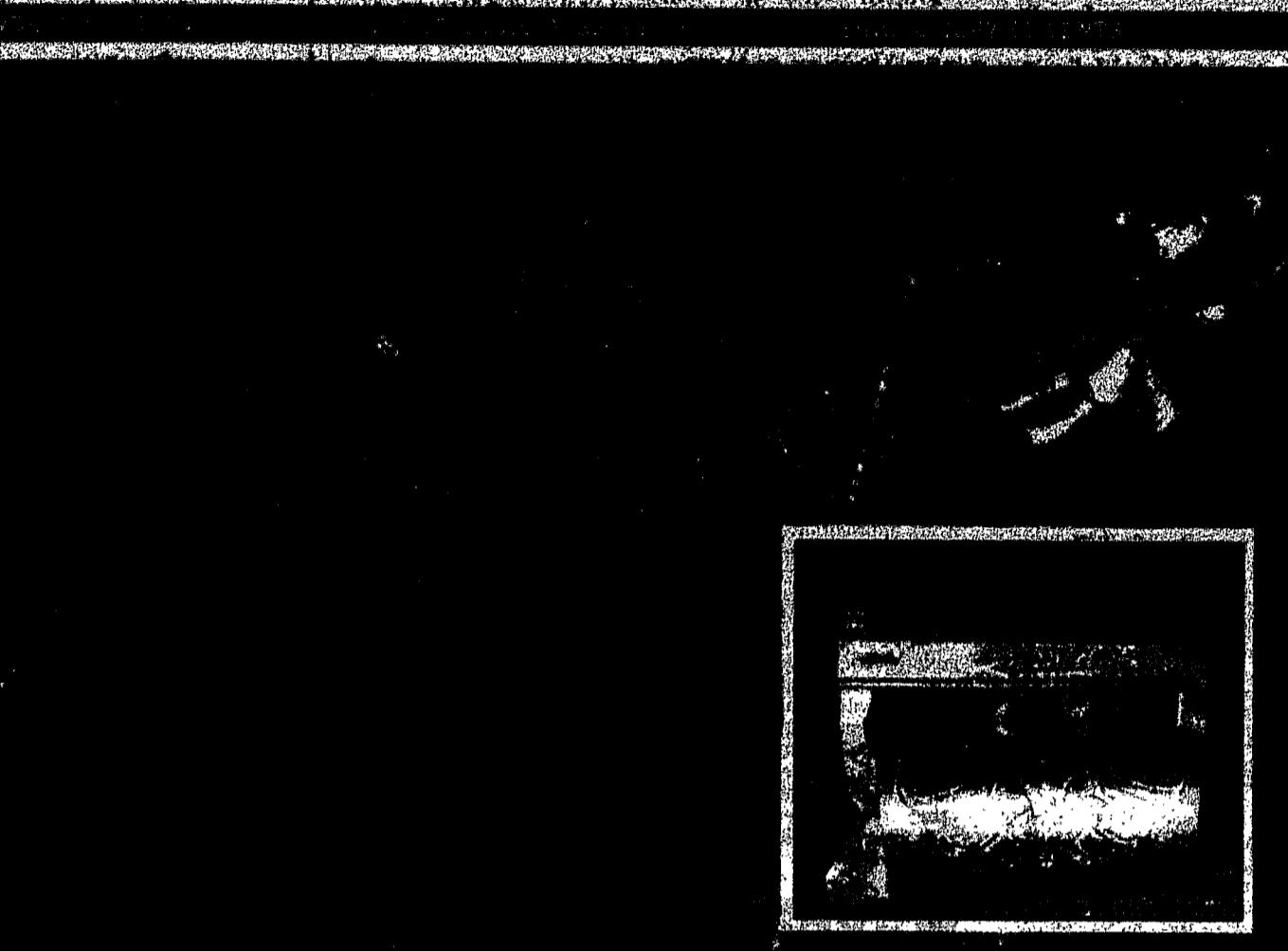


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Two new officials sworn in Pass mayor begins term

BY ED LEPOMA

Swearing-in ceremonies are set at 11:30 a.m. tomorrow for Pass Mayor Billy McDonald and the Board of Aldermen.

The public is invited to the inauguration at City Hall, and the reception to follow.

McDonald, a former Harrison County Supervisor and veteran politician, will be starting his first full four-year term. He was first elected mayor in a special election Oct. 5, 1995, to serve out a two-year term when Mayor Ted Lawyer re-signed.

There will only be one new face on the Board of Aldermen.

Republican Leo A. "Chipper" McDermott beat out three-term Democratic Gene Rogers for the city's only at-large seat.

Voters returned four incumbents to their posts. Republican Jeff Emerson was unopposed.

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Enjoying the fair

The sky over Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church was brightened by several carnival rides at OLG's Crab Fest. Festival goers

enjoyed rides (inset) as well as good food. The Crab Fest and the St. Rose Festival end today. (Echo staff photos by Richard Meek)

Society recounts county history

BY BETSY GAGNET

Anyone interested in history, or even just fun facts, is in for a real treat at the Hancock County Historical Society.

The Kate Lobrano House, home to the society, is filled with photographs, memorabilia, documents and artifacts which bring alive the history of Hancock County.

Upon entering, visitors are immediately drawn to the 150 framed photos of Hancock County homes and sites from 1880 to the present, displayed along an entire wall.

On another wall hangs pictures of local homes shown in pictures the day before and the day after Hurricane Camille. The photos, from the Bob Hubbard Hurricane Camille Collection, allow viewers to connect houses to many remnants still standing today.

A "Betey Ball" is on display along with an explanation that it is a kind of tumbleweed which formed from rolling bits of debris in the Chandeleur Islands, which gathered as it was blown over the islands and marshes and eventually floated ashore in the Mississippi Sound.

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columns which used to run in the paper and discussed families visiting, births of children, birthday parties and who served what at their "tally-ho."

Every copy of The Sea Coast Echo from 1892 is being entered on the computer, which Gray said is a valuable information source for more than the obvious reasons.

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columns which used to run in the paper and discussed families visiting, births of children, birthday parties and who served what at their "tally-ho."

A tally-ho was "like a hayride," Gray said, and very often started on the beach and ended up at Brown's Vineyard (located where Lil' Rays now stands).

Charles Gray, president of the Hancock County Historical Society, points out a picture to visitors in the Kate Lobrano House. More than 150 historic pictures and photographs are displayed. (Echo staff photo by Betsy Gagnet)

to make Scuppernog wine, a variation of muscadine.

With the recent purchase of a

SOCIETY—PAGE 10A

Plane crashes in D'head

BY ED LEPOMA

The pilot and three passengers escaped serious injury Wednesday night after a single-engine Cessna seaplane fell short of the runway at the Diamondhead airport, and tipped over.

Hancock County Sheriff's Department Chief Deputy Nathan Hoda said a call came into the dispatch center at 6:49 p.m., reporting a plane crash at Diamondhead.

Sheriff's deputies and an American Medical Response ambulance rushed to the scene.

Pulled from the overturned plane were: the pilot, 55-year-old Jerry Gonsoul of Bourg, La.; his wife Scotty, 42; Mrs. R.R. Matheyne, 62, the pilot's mother-in-law; and Monique Basile, the pilot's 17-year-old step-daughter.

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Plane crash

Four people escaped serious injury Wednesday night after a single-engine Cessna seaplane crashed at Diamondhead airport. Officials said the plane fell short of the runway, and tipped over. The four passengers were pulled from the plane and rushed to Hancock Medical Center, where they were treated and released. (Echo staff photo by Richard Meek)

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**TOMMY HARRIS
HATTERSBURG,
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TRINITY BAPTISTE
Infant Trinity Baptiste died Wednesday, July 1, 1997, in Gulfport.

Survivors include parents, Clark and Shirley Baptiste; grandmother, Leona; two brothers; community; grandmothers Shirley and Jean; and aunts, Shirley and Ronnie and their son, of Rocky Hill; and great-grandparents, Emery and Francis. Burial was at Hattiesburg. J.V., Mattie Mae, of DeLisleaux and Helen Lamer of Dubois.

A graveside service was held Saturday at Standard Sandhill Cemetery in DeSoto. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home, Bay St. Louis, was in charge of the arrangements.

HATTIE ESTELLE

Mrs. Hattie Belle Estelle, 93, died Wednesday, July 2, 1997, in Pass Christian.

Mrs. Estelle was a native of Purvis and formerly of Picayune. She was a homemaker and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Picayune. Survivor includes two sisters, Delma Watkins of Long Beach and Lis Johnson of Picayune.

A service was held Saturday at McDonald Funeral Home in Picayune. Burial was in New Palestine Cemetery in Picayune.

WILLIAM KNIGHT

William Knight, 87, of Bay St. Louis, died July 1, 1997, in Bay St. Louis.

Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral

Wellness, exploration day

Youngsters will be on the hunt for dinosaurs while their parents are finding free immunizations for them during "Jurassic Tots," the Shots for Tots immunization fair coming next month.

Jurassic Tots, a day of wellness and exploration, will take place Saturday, July 12, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Slidell Memorial Hospital's Medical Office Building Atrium (1051 Gaarde Boulevard).

For parents, the event promises free immunizations for their children as well as a chance to meet the experts with SMDH's Pediatric Services and pick up lots of important information.

Parents must bring their child's immunization records with them to receive free immunizations.

After their immunization, children will follow the dinosaur tracks to a world of wonder. They will have the opportunity to see Doc Rockasaurus (a special child-friendly examination table), to hunt down some dinosaur artifacts, to explore the Pediatric Services area and to take part in games.

In addition, they will be able to visit the Audubon Zoomobile. There will also be special cooking demonstrations and refreshments for children and parents.

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the first ever "Teen Empowering Conference" will take place July 11-17 at the Buccaneer Inn in Biloxi.

The conference, organized by Global Ministries, is a national event, designed to give a sense of its mission and the theme of "Teens in Action: Youth Empowering Youth."

"The purpose is to teach leadership and organizing skills across gender and racial lines. The event also will inform young people of the various mission opportunities offered by the United Methodist Church and explain how they can become participants."

Finally, it will provide a set-

of workshops, workbooks and recreation.

Major speaker and Bible study leader throughout the event will be Dr. Carl Gray, United Methodist minister, teacher/lecturer and chairman of African American Studies and professor of religion at Gettysburg College in Pennsylvania.

Internationally known for his dynamic and inspiring lectures with young adults, Dr. Gray has worked with African, European, Asian, Latino, Native Africa/Indigenous and multi-cultural organizations.

Gray will also lead work-

shops for adult advisors on "Is-

toring to the Voices of Youth" and "How to Work with Diverse Groups."

Other speakers include:

The Rev. Shirley Beyens Dobbs, general director of Northern New Jersey and former president of the Global Ministries, will share the associate editor of *Religion*. She will also present "Both Voices Through Drama," a workshop on communication.

Jeanne Jones, new director of United Methodist Communications in Nashville, Tenn., will lead "Video Film Documentation."

The Rev. Al and Mrs. fashion Lewis will lead "Music with Positive Messages," a workshop on music composition for aspiring musicians.

Edward Moultrie, associate art director of the General Board

of Education, will speak on his ministry, "Art and World Domination."

James C. H. Smith, missionary director of the United Methodist Church, will speak on "Leadership" and "Opportunities of mission opportunities" and career advice.

Sonya Hunt Green, who is an advisor to former First Lady General Joycelyn Elders, will enlighten youths on health issues in a session titled, "What's Health Got to Do With It?"

Maxine Cannon, a young entrepreneur, will lead "Action Planning with Youth," a business workshop.

Rev. Michael Yoshii, pastor of Buena Vista United Methodist Church, who has worked extensively on diversity issues will conduct a workshop on "Letting Youth Lead."

There are to be numerous other speakers with sessions on a wide range of subjects of relevance and interest to youths.

Those interested in attending, call 467-4909. There are vaccinations, and there is no charge. Applicants must complete a health form and be able to stay on the campus for the entire event.

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I received a telephone call from Vickie Johnson, secretary of the Peoples Bank, telling me they were sending some very good news.

She reports that the Food Pantry will be receiving a very large check from Peoples Bank this coming month.

The check represents the amount raised by Peoples Bank employees at all of its locations.

The Hancock County Food Pantry is located in the grocery store along the Coast where cancer patients are selected by the selection committee to receive help.

Johnson reports this will be the largest gift ever for the Hancock County Food Pantry, and it really will come in at a time when the local organization is helping record numbers of deserving people.

The food pantry is now serving over 450 people a month.

The Hancock County Food Pantry is located in the Hancock County's Annex, Ulman Avenue, Bay St. Louis.

Johnson said, "We at the pantry are delighted and grateful that the Peoples Bank selected us. We know that Peoples employees have worked very hard to raise these funds."

The big July 4th weekend is winding down, still there are many activities running through today.

As for instance, there is the Our Lady of the Gulf Crab Festival, St. Rose de Lima annual Church Fair, and this is the final day of the Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo.

You still have time to visit one or all of the above functions.

The OLG Seafood Festival is on the grounds of Our Lady of the Gulf Beach Boulevard, Bay St. Louis.

The St. Rose Church Fair is located on Necaise Avenue, one block from Main Street across from the church on the school grounds.

The Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo's headquarters is the Rice Pavillion, U.S. Highway 90 at Highway 49, Gulfport.

Live entertainment is scheduled for all three events. Do be careful while driving about as there are many motorists on our highways and roadways.

I hope to see you at the activities today.

FROM THE STATE AUDITOR

WHEN MAY A LOCAL GOVERNMENT VEHICLE BE TAKEN HOME?

By Phil Bryant
State Auditor

The Attorney General on numerous occasions has addressed the question of when a government vehicle may be taken home by an employee of the government in an opinion to Ralph L. Peoples, dated April 13, 1994, the Attorney General reiterated the consistently held opinion that it is improper for a county to allow county vehicles to be taken home by county employee after the normal work day since such constitutes private use of public property at public expense.

However, if the board determines consistent with fact and spreads upon the minutes, an order stating that having a vehicle available at all times is necessary in order to enable the

employee in question to fully perform his public duties and responsibilities then such practice may be authorized.

Even when an employee takes a government vehicle home to fulfill his public duties, it may not be used for personal or private activities.

Such would be an illegal donation, in violation of Sections 66 and 96 of the State Constitution. The Attorney General notes: "A publicly owned vehicle may not, under any circumstances, be lawfully used for any private activity."

In the same opinion the Attorney General extended this interpretation to municipalities. Therefore, the question of when a local government vehicle may be taken home by an employee of that government is a matter of judgment of the governing board, but the vehicle may never be used for private or personal use.

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REPORT FROM THE CAPITOL

*By Lt. Governor
Ronnie Musgrove*

Adolescent Offender Program to expand in state

In our efforts to win the battle against juvenile crime, the Senate took action this to expand Adolescent Offender Program sites across the state. Another House Bill to establish a statewide Juvenile Work Program also passed on the Senate floor. These two measures focus on prevention and intervention.

Prevention working hand in hand with punishment may help break the cycle of crime so many of our youthful offenders find themselves in. Juvenile crime makes victims of us all by robbing our state of our most precious resource, our children.

These programs plus the Streetgang Act passed into law last year and the Uniform Youth Court Bill still under consideration by the legislature give us the opportunity to make real progress in not only reducing the level of juvenile crime across our state but also in returning our children to positive, productive lives filled with the promise of opportunity and success as law-abiding contributing members of society.

With only three dissenting votes, the Mississippi State Senate has adopted House Bill 1494 to prohibit partial-birth abortions in our state. The Senate chose to accept the House version of the bill because it is the same as a Senate bill passed earlier this session with the addition of a severability clause designed to keep the law in place even if part of it is declared invalid for any reason.

The Senate also adopted a measure commonly referred to as the Mississippi Juvenile To-

bacco Access and Prevention Act. By imposing stiffer penalties for the sale of tobacco products to underage Mississippians, we hope to reduce the level of illegal sales of all tobacco products to minors.

Statistics indicate that only 3 to 5 percent of students in our schools are chronically disruptive. We have a responsibility to the other 95 percent of the students to protect them and create an environment conducive to learning.

Two bills adopted by the Senate this week may go a long way to making our schools safer.

The first bill allows schools to strategically place video cameras on their campuses to monitor student behavior. The second provides immunity for teacher who administer corporal punishment.

The State Senate took time this week to examine the composition of the Public Employees Retirement System Board. Even though this board governs the retirement system for the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, our troopers have never had a voice on it. That is until now.

Legislation which creates a seat on the board to represent the Highway Patrol has passed the Senate and awaits further action.

The market demands that we continue to attract and retain industry for Mississippi. Mississippi's Senate adopted two measures this week which are designed to make our state more competitive with our surrounding states for the acquisition of major industries.

Mississippi Economic Council



State provides child care incentives

If you have working moms, you're going to have kids needing child care.

And it's a fact that a lot of mom's work, so it's obvious there are many kids who need care.

It's simple arithmetic.

But what is not so simple is the subtraction that child care takes from a worker's paycheck, especially a worker who is employed in a low-wage job. It swallows a huge percentage of the check.

It's also a problem for companies. Managers expect workers to show up on time and be able to concentrate on their work without worry. And a mom with a child-care problem is likely to miss work frequently.

Representative Tom Cameron, R-Greenville, summed it up: "If you have three or four children, there's no way you can work unless you have someone to keep your kids. It would take half of what you make just for child care."

Cameron and his fellow legislators passed — and Gov. Kirk

Fordice signed into law — a bill that received only minimal attention. It provides state income tax credits for 50 percent of a company's expenditures on child care for workers. The state had previously provided a 25 percent credit. And there is additional help available to companies through federal programs and the Mississippi Department of Human Services.

Some Mississippi employers are taking a fresh look at child care, especially with unemployment running at record lows and the demand for qualified workers at a premium.

A growing number of Mississippi businesses and industries are establishing programs that include on-site child care, sharing childcare facilities with other nearby businesses, and pretax payroll child-care deduction plans.

The additional state tax credit incentive will help both businesses and working moms and, not least of all, the kids.

ASK THE V.A.

*By Donald Mauffray
Veterans Service Officer*

Requirement for electronic funds transfer (EFT)

PL 104-134, the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, was part of the Omnibus Consolidated Appropriations Act of 1996. It mandates that all payments made by federal agencies and corporations, with the exception of tax refunds, be made by electronic funds transfer (EFT) by Jan. 1, 1999.

This includes all benefits paid under VA veterans and survivors programs as well as employee wages and salaries, retirement, expense reimbursement, and vendor payments.

Current recipients of such payments will be required to designate one or more financial institutions or authorized payment agents to which such payments shall be made. Also, recipients must provide agencies with the necessary information to make these EFT payments.

This ACT requires federal agencies to convert from paper-based checks to EFT in two phases. Under Phase One, all recipients of Federal payments who become eligible to receive such payments on or after July 26, 1996 must receive them electronically unless the recipient certified that he or she does not have an account at a financial institution or an authorized payment agent.

Under Phase Two, all other federal payments, except tax refunds, will be converted to EFT by Jan. 1, 1999, subject to the Secretary's authority to grant waivers.

This legislation is an important step toward the establishment of an All-Electric Treasury.

Until the new regulations have been finalized, many of the questions concerning certain details of the program cannot be answered, particularly those pertaining to waivers for individuals who for a variety of reasons do not have, or wish to have, a required account.

In the meantime, veterans and others receiving VA benefit payments of any kind, Social Security or SSI benefits, Civil Service annuity, military retirement pay, etc., are advised to make arrangements to have their payments deposited directly into an existing or new account at their financial institution.

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Q Who is "Mr. Magazine" and what is he doing in Mississippi?

A His real name is Dr. Samir Husni, and he teaches journalism at The University of Mississippi. He is also the author of Samir Husni's 1997 Guide to New Consumer Magazines, now in its 12th year, in which he evaluates the most notable new magazines for the previous year. His expertise in magazines and this annual publication earned Husni the title of "Mr. Magazine," who also serves as consultant to magazines and the news industry. Just another way Mississippi Universities are making sure we know more.

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MEDITATIONS ON LIFE

*By Father Jerome
LeDoux, SVD*

For centuries, Africans were violently separated from their homes and shipped across the Atlantic like feckless, tightly-crowded cattle abused and savaged by their captors. In mid-ocean, steeped in their own and others' urine, feces, vomit, viruses, bacteria and stench, the helpless, despairing slaves turned to their native prayers and songs. Those prayers and songs sustained them during their trying

ordeals, enabling them to rise above the pit of despair and to find life worthwhile in the throes of pain and misery.

Upon arriving at their destination, having been baptized Christian against their will, they applied the same melodies and culture to their new-found Book of Life, the Bible. Out of this, of course, were born the immortal Negro spirituals.

No more valid, accurate and meaningful interpretation of the Bible ever came about than

those spirituals. This prompts us to remember St. Augustine who referred in the sin of Adam as a "very fault," since it breeds such a redeemer.

There is no comparison whatsoever and there too ok happy now that we have which however do much good out of such extreme evil and barbarity. Shared by Paul:

"We know that all things work for good for those who love God" (Romans 8: 28).

Enjoy cookouts

Grilled meats, potato salad and meringue pies are typical summer foods served at cookouts and picnics, but these goodies can reach the danger zone when not handled properly.

Dr. Melissa Mixon, extension nutrition specialist at Mississippi State University, said cooking out and having picnics are fun ways to enjoy the summer, but outside conditions make cautious food handling extra important.

"Summer temperatures are ideal for bacteria to grow and possibly cause foodborne illnesses. The best ways to prevent food from being contaminated are to keep it cold, cook it thoroughly, keep it hot and avoid cross contamination," Mixon said.

Safe handling of foods begins in grocery stores. Make sure meat and poultry products have been kept in cold display cases, and avoid letting those products warm up by selecting them right before checking out.

If the drive home from the store takes longer than 30 minutes, bring a cooler to put perishable items in for the trip home.

"When going on a picnic or cooking outside, keep meat and poultry cold in an ice chest until it is ready to be cooked. Also bring plenty of clean utensils and plates to prevent cross contamination. Never put cooked food on a platter that contained raw meat or poultry," Mixon said.

"Some people like to cook food partially in the microwave or oven to reduce grilling time, but this should only be done immediately before the food is ready to be placed on the grill," Mixon said.

Use meat thermometers to be sure foods reach the correct internal temperatures. Juices should run clear and flesh should not be pink.

"Never partially grill meat or poultry and finish cooking later. All food needs to be cooked completely to destroy bacteria," Mixon said.

"Remember, no matter what is being cooked, never place food coming off the grill on the same plate it was on before cooked or use the same utensils. Bacteria from uncooked juices can contaminate cooked foods," Mixon said.

"Also, be aware of other areas raw meat or poultry has come in contact with, such as cutting boards. If raw meat is placed on a cutting board and onions for a salad are later chopped there, the salad may be contaminated with bacteria from the raw meat," she said.

"When picnic meals are ready to be served, keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold," Mixon said.

Bacteria can grow at temperatures between 40 and 140 degrees, so perishable foods need to be kept out of this danger zone.

Keep all food being carried to picnic sites cold to minimize bacterial growth. Thoroughly chill take-out foods, such as fried chicken, ahead of time unless served soon after being purchased.

Foods like fried chicken are sometimes handled unsafely because people don't realize that even cooked foods need to be kept below 40 degrees or above 140 degrees," Mixon said.

When the picnic is over, leftovers that have been thoroughly chilled within two hours after being grilled can be transported home safely in a cooler with plenty of ice in it. If the temperature is 90 degrees or warmer, discard food that has been sitting out for more than one hour.

Jesus the slave

And we are certain that in their own way of understanding, in their own idiom and culture, the Africans qualified as loving God through the very things God has made, as Paul points out to us in Romans 1: 19-20.

There is an echo here of Genesis 37, where Jacob's son Joseph was sold by his own brothers into slavery in Egypt.

Though it was a very evil thing, it brought about the rescue of the whole world from famine through the faith of Joseph.

The second person of the Blessed Trinity pursued Joseph's initiative of slavery by abandoning divinity for enslavement:

"Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be clung to. Rather he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness . . . He humbled himself" (Philippians 2: 5-8).

While Joseph was sold for 20 pieces of silver, Jesus was to complete the cycle of slavery by being sold for 30 pieces of silver by Judas, one of his chosen 12. Worse, Jesus was sold not to labor as a slave but to die as a slave.

The brutal, ruthless passage of shackled Africans to slavery in the Old and New Worlds underscored the general condition of humankind which Jesus freed by becoming a slave.

Without addressing slavery directly, Jesus left the most powerful statements imaginable about control and servants:

"Whoever wishes to be great among you shall be your servant . . . the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mt. 20: 24, 28).

Dating back deep into prehistoric times, the institution of slavery continues today in various parts of the world with a quarter million slaves sold annually. This runs counter to everything God is and wants:

"God so loved the world that he gave his only son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life" (John 3: 16).

No one will be totally free till we all serve each other.

EVERYDAY RECIPES

...Linda Dotsey
(Patsy's Kitchen)

Good Morning Y'all . . .

You know what? When I was a young girl we were poor. But, do you think I knew that? My mother, Nita, always filled our bellies. My daddy, Wilbur, was a carpenter, and when they worked you had money, and when they didn't, you improvised — I guess — because the food was great to me. Mama always had dinner on the table and I don't remember anybody complaining.

I have this hanging plaque that says, "Do the best you can where you are with what you got." They did that in the good old days, and I learned that and continued on when I didn't have everything I wanted.

Now I know why I bought that wall hanging at that garage sale; probably brought back memories.

This is another good cookout or whatever recipe that goes a long way and costs hardly anything. You could always improvise and add to it. But why?

I owned a day care and kindergarten in Kenner, and my children loved this, and mothers asked for the recipe. So you see, my mama's recipe continues on and on and hopefully with your family also.

See you next time . . . Love,

Patsy

NITA'S PEAS AND PASTA
1 can Le Sueur green peas (15 oz.)

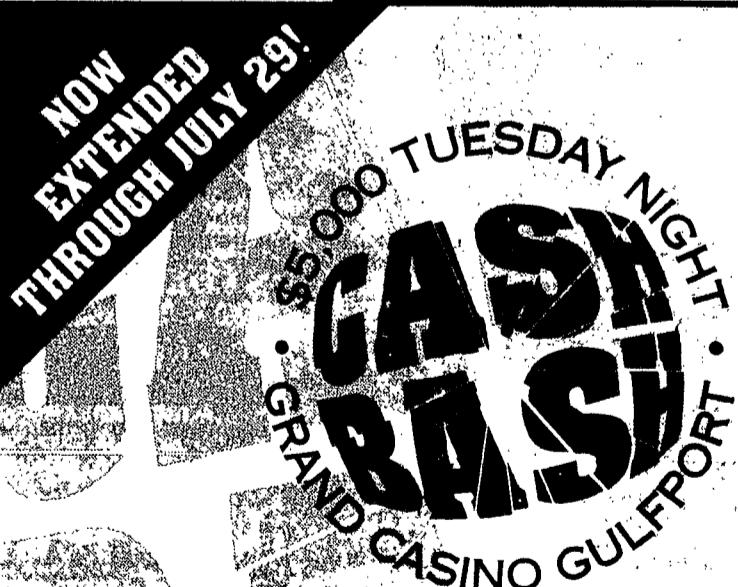
8 oz. pack Rotini noodles
1 stick butter
4 tbsp. chopped garlic
Sliced Roma tomatoes
Fresh basil leaves or fresh

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Prepared Statement Regarding newspaper article and conflict surrounding (Waveland) meeting June 18, 1997.

In years past it may have been wise to use out of town engineers. Perhaps population 2000 did not yield a professional certified engineer or political tie with Jackson were important to receive state funds.

This, our Waveland, has grown and is fast growing. We have an abundance of Certified Professional talent right here in our own town, in fact the city has an engineer or staff. Tideland funds are now easy to obtain now, due to the arrival of the casino. Why doesn't the city use its own highly qualified engineer for work on the pier?

Louis Smolensky (Alderman) said that I had a personal problem with Ray Eaton, who by-the-way subcontracts to certified engineers. No problem there. I keep principal and money far ahead of personalities and politics. I don't even know the guy! As always the newspaper reports he said/she-said instead of issues.

As I relayed to Mr. Eaton that it is illegal to clean (fillet) fish on the pier. Why do we need 40' of cleaning space? Mr. Eaton wouldn't even listen. This area could be used much more constructively. State ordinance 7.021 allows for cleaning of certain type fish by licensed commercial shrimpers for personal consumption only. I was in 4th place for total points for 1996 Miss. Gulf Coast Big Game Fishing Club and am currently in 4th place for 1997. I know how much fish cleaning space a first class facility should have.

As for piers, I own the longest private pier in Hancock County, 600 feet which cost a total of \$23,000. In fact 3 months after I voted to spend a cap fee of \$7000 for engineering I applied for a permit to improve my pier and had a private goal to complete the job before a nail was set on the extension. My goal was completed and has exceeded the first nail by one month already. Building piers is risky business, anyway, since my pier has been totally destroyed 2 times and damaged several times.

The only record of a dollar amount in our minutes was a dollar amount which was voted on and adopted was a \$7000 cap fee. There was never an exhibit attached to any minutes - as reported by Meeks. The minutes speak and the only recorded amount was the \$7000. Why spend \$20,000 on engineering alone for 200 ft. extension, when my 900 ft. pier only cost a total of \$23,000?

One would believe after reading the Echo's he-said/she-said reporting that "Fleuriet doesn't understand the scope of work" but please understand that some political beings become nervous when "their" dollars are in scrutiny. What troubles me is the mayor-pro tem threatened to remove me from the meeting simply because I'm not a rubber stamp man, Meeks, right again for your accurate reporting in stating that I ask hard questions and want accurate answers. Then, the real crises came when I was passed over and wasn't asked to vote on the docket. Yes, I was angry and I take full responsibility for it.

Kudo's, Mr. Meeks! He did report at least one other item accurately. I am a Republican. God Bless Evelyn McPhail (past co-chair of Nat. Republican party who is recovering from an auto accident), who has recently affirmed my voting record as very consistent with the Republican ideals -- Small Government up with private industry and conservative prudence.

I am concerned and upset about Mr. Meeks statements regarding Allison Anderson. I gave the plans to the Professional Architect volunteer and President of Coleman Avenue Coalition, Allison Anderson, for her input. She agreed with my concerns. Mr. Meeks should be ashamed for belittling Ms. Anderson. Allison was given the distinguished citizen of Waveland award recently. Congratulations and thanks Allison your input did enhance the project and you are an example of true community involvement.

I don't even want to get into building a bait shop on the pier, that was supposed to earn an additional \$50,000 revenue for Waveland. Anyone want to rent the space ... \$4166 per month? After my repeated efforts to procure the business plan to create such a revenue, I quit asking. At this time there is not a prospect to take over the bait shop.

My wonderful family and business give me a lot of love and satisfaction. My other life of public service is an attempt to better my town and, hopefully, improve the lives of fellow Wavelanders. When I take a position I only do it for the people of Waveland. The city needs leaders who can lead with love, concern and understanding, taking time to find out what matters, give the gift of authorship -- delegating to others instead of the buck stops with me mentality. Significance also comes from working with others, doing something worth doing and making the city a better place. Empowerment means giving power away, result is always more power. Wouldn't this be great ideas for a public servant?

I think that it's a shame that I have to pay \$237.60 to buy space for my views and concerns to be reported by the Echo. In other communities opposing views are given equal time and print space.

Sincerely,
Jay Fleuriet
Waveland, MS

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TRAVEL & ENTERTAINMENT

BY THE SEA COAST ECHO SUNDAY, JULY 6, 1997

An air of mystique surrounds Mississippi's Petrified Forest

By Shirl Schabillon

People come to the Petrified Forest usually out of curiosity and find that they like to spend some time here. It seems that walking the Nature Trail winding through the ancient stone logs makes them feel a little better.

Many of them are in no hurry to get back to the "fast-track" of life, at least for a little while. What is it about this particular place with its rock-like, stony logs resting at the roots of an unspoiled living forest that makes the difference?

Maybe it is that the Petrified Forest has a sort of Mona Lisa quality about it. We like the famous painting, but we aren't quite sure she is smiling. Like discussing her smile — maybe what secrets it hides — it is intriguing to contemplate the appeal and perhaps the secrets of this place. We are drawn to it, but we're not sure why.

The name "Mississippi" is a familiar one. It is the name the Choctaw who lived here thousands of years ago gave to the "wide river" — and it means "beyond time." This may be one key to the "mystique" of the forest for it was a "wide river" 36 million years ago that brought these big trees — trees indeed "beyond time" — here.

The Petrified Forest is trees — immense stone logs lying where the turbulent wide river left them after it had savagely torn branches, roots and even bark from them. It means living trees too unmoving over the stone logs like guardians. Loblolly Pine and Black Jack Oak, Honey Locust and Sweet Gum — their very names intrigue us.

The Petrified Forest is weather — heat waves and cold snaps march over this geological wonder like invading armies. Most of the time, between the meteorological dramatics, Petrified Forest skies are amazingly blue, the breezes balmy. Visitors might just feel a slight surge of "spring fever."

Air pollution hasn't arrived and isn't welcome. The clean fresh smell of the forest, emanating from pine and cedar makes one want to breathe deeply the simple — still unpolluted — clean aroma of the good earth.

The Petrified Forest is a heritage. While today's modern Visitor Center has all of those comforts and amenities demanded by our times, the multi-million year old Petrified Forest remains constant, yet is continually in a state of change, a very natural and beautiful part of "time before man."

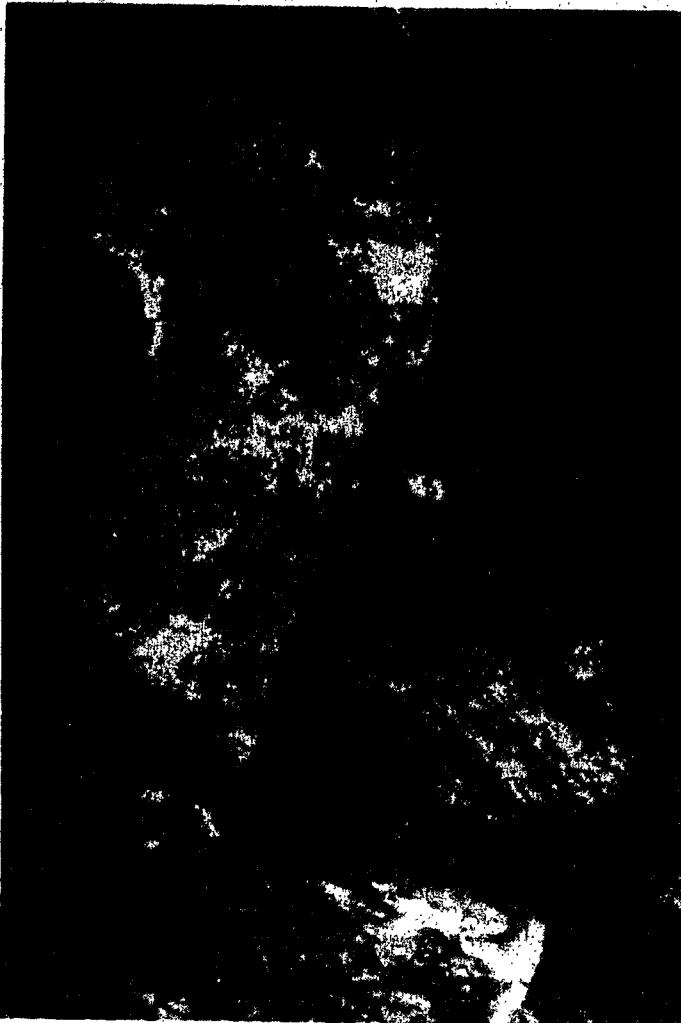
The Petrified Forest is a glimpse into prehistoric time. What a primeval forest it must have been when these stone logs were living trees. What tremendous trees they were, trunks maybe 12 to 15 feet across. Towering branches crested a hundred feet or more into the skies. Few living trees today can match their magnificence.

Prehistoric animals roamed through these immense trees — prehistoric birds made their nests in lofty branches. Modern descendants of those creatures live here now much as did their ancestors and thrive in the living forest.

At dusk, you may hear the call of a whippoorwill, hauntingly echoed through the trees. Then all is quiet again. You pause just to listen and to look. The "Mystique of the Petrified Forest" has captured you. For one brief moment the spell holds you and the cares of the day fade away. You have found the "Magic of the Forest."

The Petrified Forest is located in Flora, Miss., a few miles north of Jackson. It is open year round (except Christmas Day) April 1 to Labor Day 9 a.m.-6 p.m., and Labor Day to April 1, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

For information, call (601) 879-8189.



Petrified logs

The huge stone logs at the Petrified Forest are grouped together just as they fell from high cliffs when the sands and silts that were deposited with the old trees began to slowly wash away. The natural movement within the earth itself is probably partly responsible for breaking the once gigantic trunk sections into smaller segments. Some of the huge log sections broke as the soils eroded from under them, dropping them down into the canyon floors below.

Jerry 'The Iceman' Butler to entertain at Casino Magic

Jerry "The Iceman" Butler will sing and perform with his band at Casino Magic in Bay St. Louis and Biloxi.

He will entertain at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis Friday, July 11, 9 and 11:30 p.m. on the main lobby stage. The event is free to the public.

Butler will be at Casino Magic Biloxi Saturday, July 12, 9 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. in the Eclipse Show Room, free to the public.

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SPORTS

THE SEA COAST ECHO—SUNDAY, JULY 6, 1997-7A

USM Food Services sponsors family golf tournament

The University of Southern Mississippi Department of Food Services will sponsor its first Family Scramble Golf Tournament Saturday, July 19, at Van Hook Golf Course.

Kim Busche, manager of USM's Unique Catering and the tournament committee, said the tournament is intended as a day of fun for anyone in the family.

"Teams can consist of any family combination — even some adopted ones if necessary," Busche said.

Proceeds from the event benefit the Alfred Cook Scholarship, administered by the USM Foundation, which is presented annually to a hotel-restaurant-tourism major at USM.

Cook worked in Food Services for 27 years prior to his death Jan. 16, 1992. Cook was cafeteria manager at USM at the time of his death.

Tee times begin July 19 at 1 p.m. The tournament includes three flights, with participation determined by the age of the youngest player on a two-person team.

Boating safety class

A boating safety class will be offered July 22 and 23 at Mississippi Power Company, Hwy. 90 in Bay St. Louis, 6-9 p.m.

To preregister for the class or for information about upcoming classes, contact the office of Marine Enforcement at 1-800-294-5551 or 432-7708.

The field is limited to 60 two-person teams. Players from age 7-11 received two free mulligans; those 12 and up may purchase up to four mulligans for \$5 each.

The deadline to register is July 16.

For information or to register, call Busche or Anita Karraker at (601) 266-5552 or Van Hook Golf Course at (601) 264-1872.

Soccer tryouts

Tryouts for Bay Area Youth Soccer U-14 select will be held at the Seminary Field in Bay St. Louis. Players born between Aug. 1, 1983 and July 31, 1985 are eligible to try out. The team will be coached by Brian Brooks and Thomas O'Brian.

Tryouts will be held in three phases. Each player should attend all sessions in order to benefit from a full evaluation. Tryout dates are:

Monday, July 7, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 8, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 9, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Registration will take place 20 minutes prior to tryouts. A registration fee of \$40 will be due at that time. All players should bring a #5 ball, a water jug, shinguards and cleats.

Anyone wishing more information may call 467-5321 or 467-9200.



Rodeo champ

Sammy Necaise of north Hancock County is the 1997 Reserve Bull Riding Champion for the MJNSRA. The finals were held in Jackson June 18 and 19.

Tryouts scheduled for U-13 Select Soccer

Makeup tryouts for South Mississippi Soccer Club's U-13

Division I team will be:

Thursday, July 17, 6-8 p.m.

Friday, July 18, 6-8 p.m.

Tryouts will be at the soccer fields on County Farm Road.

To reach the fields, take I-10 to exit 28. Exit north and go seven miles until you reach the lighted fields. Bring ball, shin

guards and water.

Age requirements are birth dates from Aug. 1, 1984 through July 31, 1985. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

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Karen Cumbaa, Tammy Cumbaa, Kayleigh Davis, Edward Deason, Amolie Egloff, Heidi Egloff, Destiny Flood, Chawn Hartley, Derius Hawkins, Kayla Hawkins, Markell Haynes, Kayrun Hitchcock, Jaron Jackson, Heather Jeanfreau, Tywanna Kaigler, Jessica Keeton, Hien Le, Darlene Lee, Nigel Lewis.

Glen Livingston, Khee Ly, Orlando Lyons, Rahiel Lyons, Brittany Massengill, Sarah Massengill, Britney Maurig, Mary Monks, Brooke Moran, Chase Perrot, Jasmine Raboteau, Sean Robertson, Utopia Robinson, Miki Rogers, Deandra Ross, Christopher Rushing, David Sellier, Karli Smith, Lauren Turcotte, Joel Wallace, Kristopher Word.

Honor Roll Year

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Hien Le, Jamie Lewallen, Keandra Lock, Rachel Melville, Mary Monks, Ashley Moore, Kyle Moran, Teddy Morris, Savannah Nelson, Jacqueline Prevou, Ethan Real, Heather Richardson, Michael Riley, Champaign Rosemond, Megan Sapp, Natasha Saucier, David Sellier, Tiffany Sheppard, Joshua Sick, Kyra Smith, Cynthia Sosa, Calene Tillman, Cody Tomasich, Sylvester Twiggs, Meg Walley, Sacha White.

Honor Roll
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Jasmine Acker, Alex Boudreault

Carey president's, dean's lists

William Carey College has recognized a number of students for the spring term. President's list scholars have a 4.0 GPA for nine or more hours of academic work.

Dean's list scholars must have at least a 3.25 GPA.

Area students earning recognition include:

Susan A. Murray of Bay St. Louis, dean's list.

Stan G. Proctor of Kiln, dean's list.

Cheryl D. Willett of Waveland, president's list; and Joaquin R. Valle of Waveland, dean's list.

reaux, Laura Brondum, Donavan Clark, Hayley Crappel, Earl Deason, Logan Dedeaux, Ashley Dougherty, Cassie Duvernay, Chawn Hartley, Brenden Ireland, Joshua Jackson, Trey James, Christina Jordan, Tywanna Kaigler.

Jessica Keeton, Derek Kimball, Darlene Lee, Chad Moore, Nicole Morris, Chase Perrot, Buddy Schulz, Jason Sims, Nicholas Sires, Alexa Smith, Jed Spiller, Amanda Toups.

Multitude Honor Students Brunetta Barnes, Jeffrey Baudin, Austin Bell, Brennan Bell, Michael Boudreault, Katie Bridges, Bruce Brown, Erica Burbank, Alisha Carver, Brandon Carver, Tiffany Carver, Ceige Clark, Chantel Clark, Jamie Cross, Karen Cumbaa, Kira Dahlberg, Danny Dorsey, Juanita Easley, Heidi Egloff.

Molly Egloff, Nicole Elizabeth, Christina Ellis, Caroline Fabian, Jessica Favre, Erin Flood, Ian Gorum, Michelle Green, Derius Hawkins, James Hees.

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Justin Main, Garrett Marsh, Sarah Marshall, Brittany Massengill, Kayla Mathews, Britney Maurig, Mignon May, Leeland McCurdy, Katie Morris, Miriah Munger, Mallory Murphy, Shannon Murphy, Aspen Nero, Jessica Oliver.

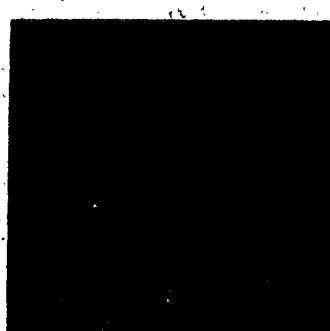
Troy Padgett, Joelle Parta, Alex Proulx, Kristina Quintini, Margaret Reynolds, Theo Rivera, Miranda Robbins, Utopia Robinson.

Elyse Roques, Amber Rowell, Johnna Roy Christopher Rushing, Bryan Schneider, Clarence Sheppard, Aimee Sires, Karli Smith, Nicholas Smith, Michael Steele, Mary Taylor, Miriam Taylor.

John Tenney, Lauren Turcotte, Lisa Ulrich, Andrew Viescas, Britney Williams, Leann Williams, Yong Zhao.

Honored Kindergarten Students
Tanner Adam, Aram Avery, Harold Cann, Brandon Dougherty, Whitney Easley, Breanna Goff, Markell Haynes, Alex Hendrix, Le'Shan Kaigler, A.J. Nelson, Julia Scafidi, Carley Tillman, Lance Tomasich, Solomon Twiggs, Leslie Williams, Nina Williams.

Honored First Grade Students
Brent Benvenuti, Andrew Besancon, Alyce Brogic, Kayleigh Davis, Josh Elliott, Ronald Johnson, Anthony LaFrance, Alecia Lambeth, Shaka-ea Lyons, Heather Schmittbach, Travis Michael Smith, Garrett Sotak, Olivia Spillman, Jasmine Swanner, Nicholas White, Kristina Williams, Courtney Willumitus, Clarence Wright.



Alexis Musacchia

Clarification

In Thursday's Sea Coast Echo, incorrect and incomplete information was provided to the Echo from the Personality Plus Pageant Committee. Alexis Musacchia is the Hospitality Queen for having sold more than 700 raffle tickets.

In the three-year-old girls' group, Destiny Tomasich was first runnerup.

Betty Matherne won first place and most photogenic in the 12- to 14-year-old girls division.



Destiny Tomasich



Millsaps graduate

Karene Nadine Payne was graduated May 10 from Millsaps College. She received her bachelor of arts degree in studio art and business administration. She is the daughter of Ms. Barbara Payne and the granddaughter of Mrs. Gloria Payne of Bay St. Louis and the late Milton S. Payne.

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Computer workshop series

The University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast's Small Business Development Center has set the date to begin its Power Lunch Series—a hands-on computer workshop series.

The first program, "Choosing an Internet Provider" is planned for Wednesday, July 9, noon-1 p.m. at the USMGC Small Business Development Center Computer Resource

Center, 136 Beach Park Place in Long Beach.

The series is designed for those interested in learning one specific computer skill during a lunch break. Other workshop topics include e-mail and surfing the 'net productively.

Fee is \$15.

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TIPS provide inflation protection

Q. Can you give me some information on the U.S. Government inflation bonds? What are the advantages and disadvantages?

A. The U.S. Treasury's inflation-indexed bonds, officially named Treasury Inflation-Protection Securities or TIPS, are modeled after the Canadian Real Return Bonds. The bonds sell for a minimum of \$1,000.

The principal value of the bonds is adjusted for inflation. The index for determining the adjustment is the U.S. City Average All Items Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, published monthly by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. This gain in the value of the bonds is paid at the maturity of the bond.

The bonds pay interest semi-annually. The interest rate or coupon rate is set at quarterly Treasury auctions, and stays the same throughout the life of the bond. But the dollar amount of interest changes since the face value of the bond is not constant. Expect a lower coupon rate than with traditional Treasury issues because of the additional inflation feature.

Here's how it works: If you buy a 10-year, \$1,000 note, with a coupon rate of 3.5%, your first



CONSUMER UPDATE

By **Jan Lukens, MBA, CFP**
Consumer Money Management Specialist

interest payment is \$35. If this year's inflation rate is 4%, the value of the bond increases by \$40 to \$1,040. The next interest payment would then be 3.5% of \$1,040 or \$36.40. This process continues through for 10 years at which time the bondholder is paid the current value of the bond based upon the original purchase price and the rate of inflation over that period.

The advantages are the same as with any issue of the U.S. Government — safety, marketability and exemption from state and local taxes. They give the added advantage of protection in the event of high inflation which can be significant with a long-term fixed income investment.

Computer workshop scheduled at USM

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For information, contact the USM Small Business Development Center at 601-865-4578.

The workshop is the first in a series of "hands-on" computer workshops designed for those who are interested in learning one specific computer skill during their lunch break. Other "Power Lunch" workshops to be offered this summer include "How to send and receive E-mail" and "Surfing the Internet productively."

"Choosing an Internet Provider" will offer a look at the different internet providers, provide a list of questions you should ask before choosing your provider, and show you how to choose the best internet provider for you.

Co-sponsors for this workshop include Gulf Coast Business Technology Center, Greater Biloxi Economic Development Foundation, Mississippi Coast Chamber of Commerce and USM Gulf Coast Continuing Education.

Workshop fee is \$15 and must be paid in advance due to limited seating. To prepay, mail check made payable to USM SBDC to Small Business Development Center, 136 Beach Park Place, Long Beach, MS 39560.

People like analogies. Explaining your point by relating it to something familiar to the listener makes it easier to understand and can even be entertaining. In the often mind-boggling world of finance, analogies can be a big help.

Sports analogies are particularly handy. When it comes to athletics, most people have experience either playing or spectating. Comparing financial concepts to sports can really help make the point (pun intended). Take the following basic tips, for example.

Not every investment is for every investor. Ever play a good game of football? Remember how whenever you ran with the ball, someone tried to knock you down and take it away? Were you the type who reveled in every hit and didn't mind the morning-after aches and pains?

There's an investment lesson to be learned there. Some of us prefer aggressive, high-risk stuff. Sure, you can get hurt, but high-risk investors say, "No pain, no gain." They know the risks and take the hits, and the survivors have fun.

But not everyone is a football kind of investor, which leads us to the next tip.

Balanced portfolios stand the test of time. Notice that there aren't as many old football players as there

are old golfers? That's because most golfers, like most investors, prefer the gentle approach. You stay in the game longer. Nobody tries to steal your ball, and no one gets hurt. Someone doesn't have to lose for you to win.

A good investment is like that. Buy a stock, watch it grow, and if the situation warrants, sell it. Whoever buys it can enjoy the same rewarding experience, because a good investment continues to grow regardless of how often the ownership changes.

Start investing now. In sports, there are spectators

and there are players, and both groups enjoy the game. But to be a financial winner, you can't make money just by sitting in the stands. You've got to get out there and play. Even if you think you don't have enough funds, a good financial adviser can show you

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digital camera, Gray plans on having photographs of every house in the county put on the computer, arranged by street address and accompanied with its history.

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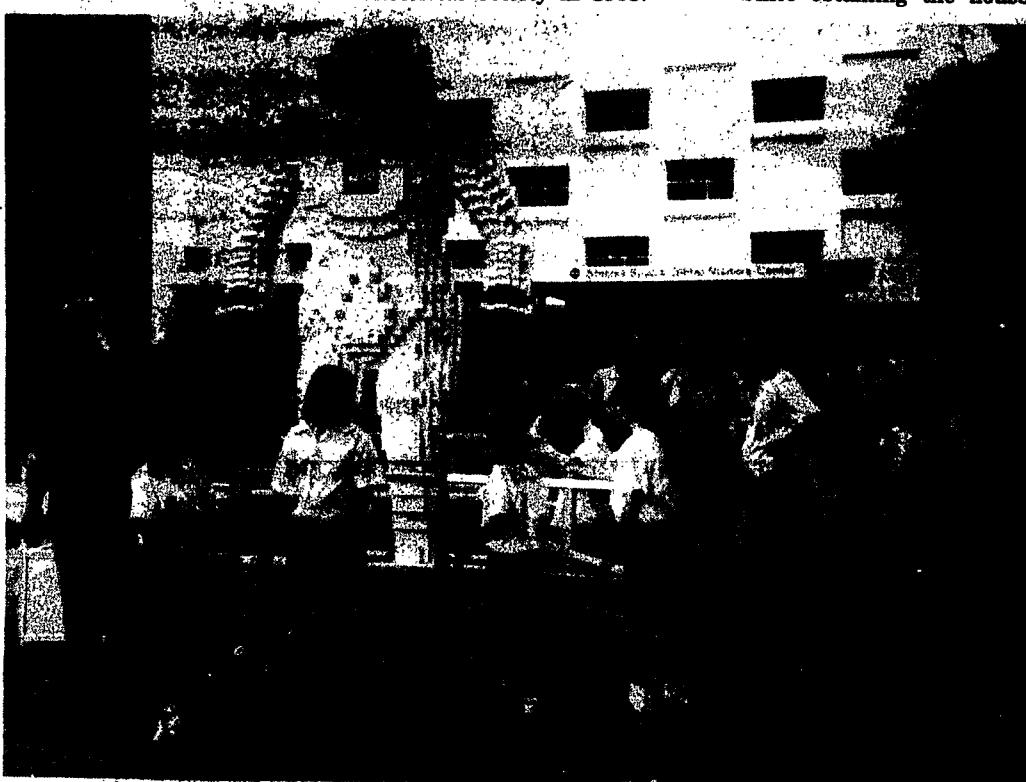
"All records in the computer will be followed in alphabetical order," Gray explained. "We won't sacrifice accuracy, just the speed."

Since all reports of an event, with source, will be in the computer, one event may have several different accounts.

Completing such a undertaking takes a great amount of time.

Gray, along with Karen Flores, Director of the Kate Lorraine House, can usually be found on the phone, working on projects, or greeting visitors.

Additionally, the society draws from a strong volunteer base.



Lego exhibit

The first grade classes at Bay Catholic Elementary visited the Lego exhibit at Stennis Space Center. The students were guided through the visitors center which intermingled Lego astronauts and their space equipment with real astronaut displays. They also watched a movie that answered common questions about an astronaut's life in space. The highlight of the field trip was the fantasy alien world in the Lego room, where students were also allowed to create their own Lego space ships.

USM historian publishes planter's diary

An Alabama planter's journal kept for nearly four decades during the 19th century South provides a unique perspective on eras of historical importance in the region.

"Fear God and Walk Humbly: The Agricultural Journal of James Mallory, 1843-77," published this spring by the University of Alabama Press, is the culmination of years of work by its editors, Dr. Grady McWhiney, Dr. Robert F. Pace and the late Dr. Warner O. Moore Jr.

Mallory, the Lyndon Baines Johnson Professor Emeritus at Texas Christian University and Distinguished Historian in Residence at the University of Southern Mississippi, said the picture presented in the book gives a personal and poignant view of the life and times of a small Alabama planter, James Mallory.

"The journal reflects the story of the lives of 19th century rural Alabamians," said McWhiney. "James Mallory was an unusual Southerner in that he had many interests outside of farming... What makes this (journal) important is the length of time he kept the re-

cord. It truly gives a picture of the times."

Mallory farmed a small parcel near what is now Talladega, Ala. A slaveowner, he was still atypical of better-known plantation owners throughout the South in the 19th Century because of his interest in the mechanics of agriculture — experimenting with new plants, orchards and manures, farming equipment and techniques, McWhiney said.

Mallory was more than just a farmer, McWhiney said. The journal also included Mallory's take on politics, his religious nature — hence the title for the published journal — and his interest and commentary on world events, McWhiney said.

The typical farmer of this period in the South "could write but didn't do that," which makes Mallory's detailed recounting of events even more significant, McWhiney said. The journal's entries offer commentary of someone who was there during three periods of dramatic change in the South, he said.

"The years he kept the journal reflect the antebellum years, the years during the Civil War and the years of Reconstruction," McWhiney said. "Those periods are of great importance to shaping the South."

McWhiney was drawn into the project in 1976 while he was director of the Southern History Center at the University of

Alabama.

An anonymous sender mailed him a typescript of the journal. He found a complete copy of the journal in the university's library, found that it had never been published and began work with Moore, then assistant director of the center, to edit and publish the work.

For information, contact UAP at Box 870380, Tuscaloosa, Ala. 35487-0380 or phone (205) 348-5180.

Crash

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Hoda said the four were taken to Hancock Medical Center, treated and released.

Hoda said investigators talked with a National Transportation Safety Board officer in Miami, and he confirmed that Gonsoulin had a license to pilot single and multi-engine aircraft.

The NTSB official said the pilot reported he was running out of fuel, and the plane fell short of the airport while attempting to land, causing it to tip over.

Nathan "Corky" Hoda is leading the investigation for the Sheriff's Department. He is being assisted by Deputies Steve Garber and Abry Liebig.

Airport

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tion of the aging tank will be paid with a state Community Development Block Grant that was tied in with the expansion of Hancock Industries.

Port officials said plans call for repairs to be made to the tank's corrugated exterior, as well as refurbishing the outside.

The railroad car wash will soon be undergoing some major safety renovations, just in time to handle an anticipated increase in business once Wellman opens. New safety and guard rails will be installed, and both ends closed in. Additionally, a heating system will be installed.

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"We were running between 500-550 volunteer hours a month last year," Gray said, noting that the hours are down somewhat, partly because working with the computers may have scared some volunteers.

He stresses that there is "a need for any talent" and volunteers are welcome, and needed, to do anything from filing to contributing to scrapbooks.

It is hard to imagine the massive amount of history which has been compiled since 1974 when the historical society was organized, followed by its incorporation in 1975.

The first president was Norton Haas and Peggy Gibbons maintained all records at her home.

(The Historical Society) held monthly meetings in various local restaurants for about 10 years, but they didn't have a permanent home," Gray said, explaining that the Kate Lorraine House was donated to the Historical Society in 1988.

Although many changes have been made to the structure, including additions, visitors can still view rooms in the original house, or barge board construction, built in 1896.

"That was a standard form of architecture (in general) here to New Orleans," Gray explained. "It was cheaper to rig up the barges and bring them, then try to bring them back up river against the current."

Furnishings in the front room of the house are of the period from 1853-1890.

Since the house had been abandoned for several years prior to its donation, it was in need of much renovation, which members of the society came together to do.

The first year (in the house)

we made morning tea from a water faucet on the front lawn and had to take the dishes to Ruth's (Cakery) to run through the dishwasher," laughed Gray.

Since obtaining the house,

the society completed two renovations, over 1,400 square feet.

They hold monthly meetings for approximately over 50 people.

The luncheons are open to the public and cost \$5.

A monthly newsletter, The Historical Society of Hancock County, goes to over 400 members, and contains interesting historical information, current happenings and stories of upcoming events.

Gray sends notes to the newsletters and in any conversation with him, his knowledge and enjoyment of local history is immediately apparent.

After moving to Bay St.

Louis and buying his home, Beachwood Hall, Gray admits he has a strong history connection.

Once he began doing research on the home and neighboring property, which eventually led him to Mary Leigh Weston, whose parents owned the Weston house on the beach.

The home was destroyed in Hurricane Camille, but Gray received a photo of the home from Weston.

A second photo, one of Stah-

er, Hubbard,

Gray said, is also very.

"One is not a collection, two is. When I got those pictures, I then had a collection," Gray said. "Once we had a collection people started adding to it."

The collections continue to grow and visitors of the Historical Society are the lucky beneficiaries.

The Historical Society is lo-

cated at 108 Cue Street in Bay

St. Louis. It is open from 8

a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through

Friday. Historical tours may be

arranged.

Pass

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for a second term to represent Ward 1; as Ward 3 incumbent, Democrat Michael Antoine.

Ward 2 incumbent Democrat Margaret Jean Kalif won a second term, and Ward 4 Republican incumbent Yvonne "Vonne" Bodenschatz will also begin a second term.

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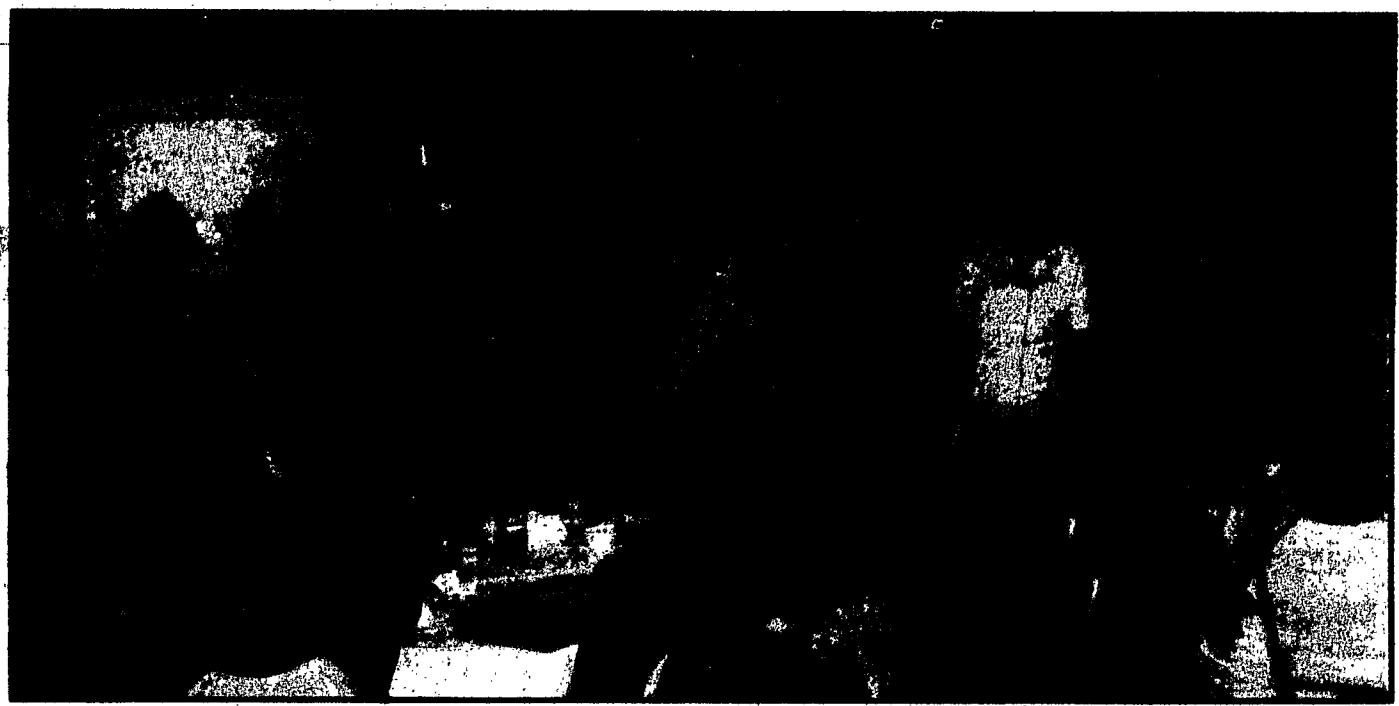
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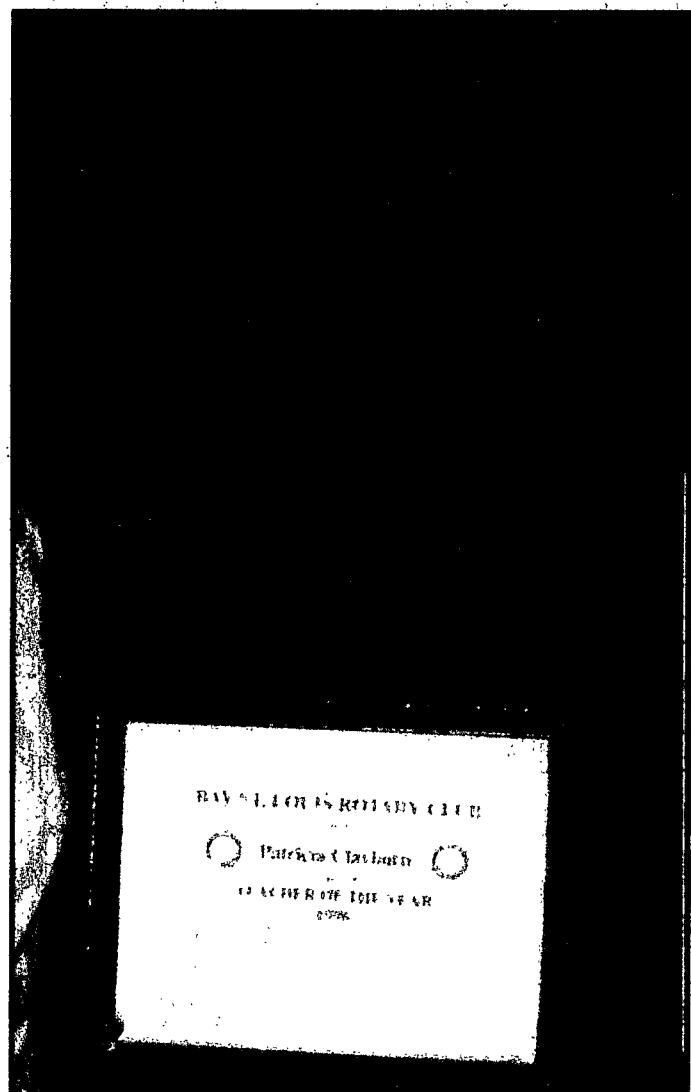
Bay St. Louis Rotary Club past president Frances Graves, left, passes the gavel to new president Cindy Vernon.



Taking the oath

Ellis C. Cuevas was the installing officer for the 1997-98 Bay St. Louis Rotary Club. Taking the oath of office are from left, Cindy Vernon, president; Raymous McMillion, president elect; Dr. Mike Reed, vice-president; Gabe Fouasnon, sergeant-at-arms; David

Treutel Sr., director; Frances Graves, past president; and Craig Foster, director. The other officers not shown are, Patricia Willis, secretary; Dick Thomas, treasurer; and Henry Monti, director.



Teacher of the Year

Patricia Clayborn was honored at the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club's installation of officers as the Teacher of the Year. Clayborn, a former Bay High teacher, has been the Bay Rotary's Interact sponsor.



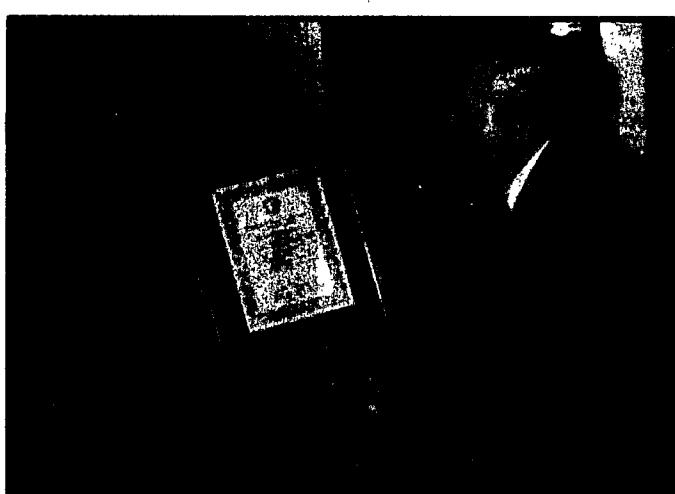
Perfect attendance

Among the members of the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club recognized for perfect attendance were from left, Randle Hatton, Ellis C. Cuevas, David Treutel Jr. and Bob Hubbard.

Keynote speaker

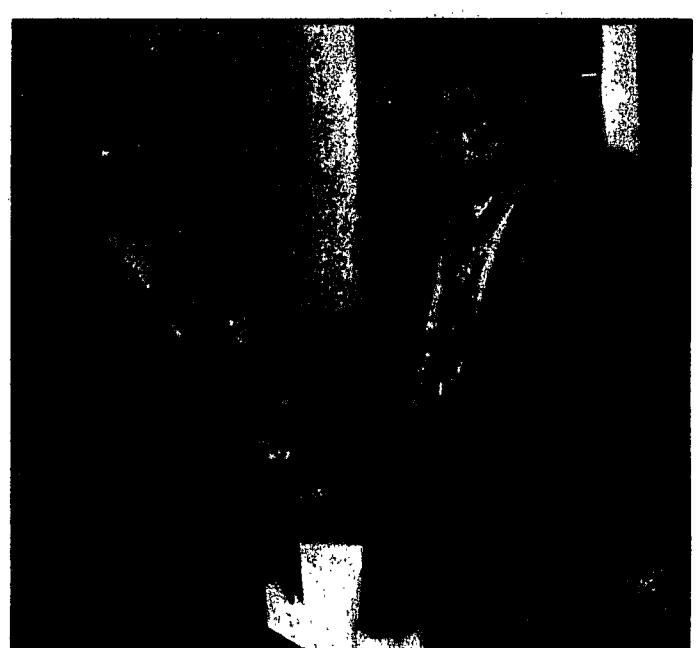
(Right) Dr. Horace Flemming, president of the University of Southern Mississippi, was the keynote speaker at the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club's 1997-98 installation banquet held at the Bay-Waveland Yacht Club.

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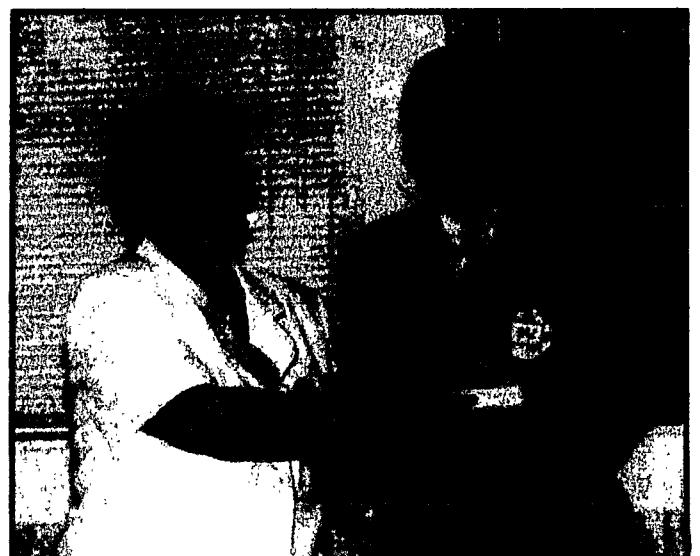
Vocational Excellence Award

(Above) David N. McDonald of Bay St. Louis was honored by the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club with the 1996-97 Vocational Excellence Award. The presentation was made by David Treutel Jr., right, to McDonald, retired businessman and president of the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission for his ideals of Rotary in his business. McDonald also was the 1957-58 president of Bay Rotary.



Paul Harris Fellow

David Treutel Jr., right, presents a Paul Harris Fellow award to Nicholas McLeod (Mac) Haas. The presentation was made to Haas, who was president of the Bay Rotary Club 1975-76, for his many contributions to the club and Rotary International.



Special honors

(Right) Frances Graves, past president of the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club, presents a 38 year perfect attendance plaque to Randle Hatton, right. Hatton received the special honor during the club's installation of officers.

USMGC development gets scholarship funds

Mississippi Gulf Coast firms and organizations have donated funds totaling \$4,000 for scholarships at the University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Among those donations:

- Entex, a NorAm Energy Company, presented USM with a \$1,000 gift for the third year in a row. The presentation was made during a special ceremony at the USMGC campus.

Bobby Fontenot, district office manager for the Gulfport Entex office, presented the check to Dr. Louis Elias, USMGC associate dean for development.

The funds will be used for scholarships for USMGC students majoring in hotel, restaurant and tourism.

Entex is a Houston, Texas-based diversified energy concern that serves more than 114,000 natural gas customers in Mississippi and more than 1.3 million residential, commercial and industrial gas customers throughout Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi.

Computer Sciences Corporation/Aerojet presented USMGC with a \$2,000 gift as

UM to host environmental education camp for teachers at Crow's Neck

If you want to get into the science classroom, the first thing to do is get out of it. That's the idea behind the University of Mississippi's environmental education program July 21-25, designed for kindergarten through fourth-grade teachers.

The five-day residential field experience will be hosted at Crow's Neck Environmental Education Center in Tishomingo County.

The multidisciplinary approach focuses on computer applications, lab work, materials for the classroom, and certification in Project Wet, Project Wild and Project Learning Tree. The program offers three semester hours of academic credit at Ole Miss, and is being developed jointly by the Ole Miss Biological Field Station and the Crow's Neck Environmental Education Center.

Academic credit requires admission to the university. Tuition

part of its \$10,000 pledge to USMGC over a five-year period.

The presentation was made at the USMGC campus by George Dunn, resident manager of CSC/Aerojet, and Susan Sprouse, human resources specialist, Stennis Space Center.

The gift will be used for academic scholarships to help place-bound people with families attain their educational goals.

CSC/Aerojet is a segment of GenCorp, a technology-based company with strong positions in aerospace, automotive and related polymer products.

Linda Hornsby, executive director of the Gulf Coast Hotel-Motel Association, presented the organization's fourth \$1,000 scholarship gift to USMGC.

The donation provides two \$500 scholarships, one which is awarded for the fall semester and one for the spring semester.

The Gulf Coast Hotel-Motel Association of Mississippi is a non-profit association which has more than 250 members that strives to promote high-quality standards, fair pricing and honest advertising in the industry.

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UM scientists test missile fuels for DOD without fear of explosion

Testing highly volatile missile fuels without protective clothing or caution signs may seem foolish.

However, chemists at the University of Mississippi are able to operate in such a relaxed environment because their "fuels" are chemical formulas that can be manipulated on a computer to determine their potential use to power air-breathing missiles, such as the tomahawk.

Funded by the Department of Defense Office of Naval Research, Dr. Steve Davis and his colleagues at Ole Miss and at some 25 other research institutions around the country, are trying to find alternative fuels with greater energy output.

"We're looking at how certain fuels decompose and combust," said Davis. "We build into our equations the chemical stress much like setting a mousetrap. During combustion, this stress energy is released and we get a picture of what would actually happen if the compound were used in a missile."

The ongoing project has been funded for eight years at some

\$60,000 per year. "It's a very large project that can't be accomplished in just a few years," said the chemistry professor, who involves graduate and undergraduate students in the research.

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Thursday — Sliced Cantaloupe, Cinnamon-Raisin Biscuit.
Friday — Fruit Wedges, Cereal, Buttered Toast.

LUNCH
11:00 a.m.-1 p.m.

Monday — Spaghetti and Meat sauce, Steamed Vegetables.

Carey stages 'Boulevard of Blues'

Legendary jazz singer Carmen McRae said, "Blues is to jazz what yeast is to bread — without it, it's flat."

The second production of Carey Dinner Theatre's 23rd season, "Boulevard of Blues" will give audiences a generous sampling of that great musical genre July 8-19 on the Hattiesburg campus of William Carey College.

The show is an original musical revue compiled and arranged by Howard Keever which evokes memories of the era of great blues tunes, particularly the 1930s and 1940s. Smooth Cotton Club sounds combine with "cheatin' heart" country blues and soulful back alley blues that will keep the audience humming into the night.

Boulevard of Blues will be presented nightly except Sunday and Monday.

The box office is open 10 a.m.-7 p.m. daily except Sunday, and seats may be reserved by calling 582-6221. Admission price of \$17.50 includes dinner and the show.

ENSIGN PEITZER

Navy Ensign Thomas J. Peltzer, son of Miriam M. Smith of Pass Christian, recently completed a four-month deployment to the Western Pacific Ocean aboard the aircraft carrier USS Independence.

Peltzer is a 1993 graduate of Texas A & M University and joined the Navy in August 1993.

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DAVID COLBURN BROWN JR.

Mr. and Mrs. David C. Brown of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their first child, David Colburn Jr., June 23, 1997 at 10:50 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis. He weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces.

Mrs. Brown is the former Kristen Davidson.

Maternal grandparents are Robert and Joylen Davidson of Picayune.

Paternal grandparents are Carville and David K. Brown of Bay St. Louis.

Great-grandparents include Hilda Brown, Eldon Broadus, Joy and Len Montgomery and Jackie Davidson.

ZACHARY TYLER SEAL

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gregory Seal of Long Beach announce the birth of their third child, Zachary Tyler, June 20, 1997 at 3:38 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis. He weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces.

Mrs. Seal is the former Stacy Leigh Walker.

Maternal grandparents are Ferdie and Gay Walker of Gulfport.

Paternal grandparents are Agnes Seal of Long Beach and the late Charles J. Seal.

Great-grandparents include Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Dees of Pascagoula and Elsie Walker, formerly of Pascagoula.

Zachary is welcomed by brother Brandon and sister Ashleigh.

SOREN HUNTER

Robert P. Bourgeois and Jillyn S. Hall of Waveland announce the birth of their first child, Soren Hunter, June 22, 1997 at 1:19 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis. He weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are William C. Scraver and Karen A. Scraver of Muskegon, Mich.

Paternal grandparents are Lionel Bourgeois of Waveland and Myrna O. Waters of Jackson.

Great-grandparents include Vernel Bourgeois of Waveland and Mr. and Mrs. Perry Odum of Poplarville.

Soren is welcomed by his sister, Jennifer Lynn Hall.

COURTLIN KEITH OGLESBY

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Oglesby of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their first child, Courtlin Keith, June 23, 1997 at 7:28 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

ALI ELIZABETH DEDEAUX

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Dedeaux of the Dedeaux community announce the birth of their first child, Ali Elizabeth, June 15, 1997 at 7:46 a.m. at Memorial Hospital at Gulfport.

She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces.

Mrs. Dedeaux is the former Heather Gaskin.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Gaskin of Fort Walton Beach, Fla.

Paternal grandparents are Earlyne Dedeaux of the Dedeaux community and the late Clint Dedeaux.

Great-grandparents include Rex and Mrs. Jesse Horton of Niceville, Fla., Dorothy Chestnut of Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., and Ethel Ladner of Dedeaux.

DOMINIQUE JASMINE EHRET

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ehret of Kiln announce the birth of their third child, Dominique Jasmine, June 26, 1997 at 11:14 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 9 pounds, 6 ounces.

Mrs. Ehret is the former Rebecca Shiflett.

Maternal grandparents are Greg and Jeanette Ehret of Diamondhead.

Paternal grandmother is Debra Shiflett of Waveland.

Dominique is welcomed by sisters Jessica and Jennifer.

ALISHA IVY SUZANNE LEITZ

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Leitz of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their first child, Alisha Ivy Suzanne, June 25, 1997 at 6:53 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces.

Mrs. Leitz is the former Kim Cox.

Maternal grandmother is Phyllis Eyer of Bay St. Louis.

Paternal grandmother is Joyce Leitz of Metairie, La.

Great-grandparents include Francine Miller of Bay St. Louis and Helen Cox of Boalsburg, Pa.

ALEXIS MORGAN YORK

Mr. and Mrs. Erik B. York of Kiln announce the birth of their second child, Alexis Morgan, June 24, 1997 at 6:47 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

Alexis weighed 8 pounds.

Mrs. York is the former Marmi Michelle Elmer.

Maternal grandparents are Gary and Maria Elmer of Bay St. Louis.

Paternal grandparents are Daniel and Dawn York of Kiln.

Great-grandparents include Marliss Bird and Mr. and Mrs. George Elmer.

Alexis is welcomed by sister Ashleigh Michelle.

SHAYLYNN MARIE DEROCHE

Wendy Caspolich and Paul DeRoche of Lakeshore announce the birth of their first child, Shaylynn Marie, June 25, 1997 at 6:04 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 6 pounds.

Maternal grandparents are Elizabeth Caspolich and Alex Caspolich.

Paternal grandparents are Russel DeRoche and Mary Ann Landry.

Great-grandparents include Barbara Crochet and Eugene Garcia and Lena DeRoche.

ARMAN LACOSTE

Navy Airman Dillon D. Lacoste, son of Irving F. Lacoste Jr. and Arlene A. Lacoste, both of Bay St. Louis, recently received a Letter of Commendation while assigned with Strike Fighter Squadron 94, Naval Air Station, Lemoore, Calif.

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Bay-Waveland Jaycees

On June 28 the Bay-Waveland Jaycees hosted their Kids Fest. Chairman Pennie Brogle said there was a nice crowd turnout. Cherie Chadler, author of *Bayou Town*, performed her puppet show at 10 a.m. The children enjoyed the show and meeting the characters.

Lt. Don Ocaso of the Bay St. Louis Police Department conducted the Kid I.D. Program. Children had their pictures taken and had an I.D. card made with personal information as well as fingerprints. Susan Farve of the Jaycees assisted Lt. Ocaso as well as Gulf South Urgent Care who was doing height and weight checks. There were 58 I.D. Cards made.

Gulf South Urgent Care had a booth, and the Hancock County Animal Shelter was present with information on how to adopt a pet.

Rannie Ledner and students of Gulf Coast Shotokan Karate had a karate demonstration.

The Bay St. Louis Fire Department brought a fire engine, and children were able to have pictures taken with Super Mario, who was dressed as a Domino's Pizza Driver. Also, several Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts came to help the Jaycees with the festival.

The festival was a success. Goal was to have a fun day for the children.

Jaycees meet the first and third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the back room of the Fire Dog Saloon on Beach Blvd. Anyone between 21 and 39 is welcome at the meetings and be a member. Call Billy Ross at 601-255-6918 for information.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly**KILN**

TOPS MS 231 Kiln met Monday, June 30 at the District 4 Community Center. Club members discussed inspirational readings and worked on new-member banners. For the second week in a row, Mary was the week's best loser.

TOPS MS 231 meets every Monday at the District 4 Community Center, Hwy. 43, Kiln. Weigh-ins are 4:45-5:15 p.m. with the meeting following. The chapter encourages anyone desiring to lose and maintain weight to visit and join their TOPS chapter. For information, call Helen at 255-7658.

Avoid close encounters of the poisonous kind

In the Southeast, only a handful of snakes are poisonous: the cottonmouth, copperhead, eastern diamondback rattlesnake, timber rattlesnake, pygmy rattlesnake and the coral snake. But as the weather improves and the allure of the outdoors becomes compelling, enjoying nature can easily become a test of human versus snake.

According to University of Mississippi herpetologist Ed Keiser, although fatal snake bites are rare (the chance of dying from the bite of a snake in these parts is less than 1 percent) the threat of severe tissue damage and amputation is very real.

The author of *The Poisonous Snakes of Mississippi*, Dr. Keiser claims an ounce of prevention is worth a syringe of antivenin anytime. He offers the following tips for avoiding snakebite this summer.

• Watch where you put your sleeping bag. When camping, get as high off the ground as possible. A cot can help prevent a crawling snake from seeking shelter in the warmth of your sleeping bag on a cool night.

If sleeping on the ground, sleep as far as possible from swampy areas, heavy undergrowth, or brush and rock piles.

To reduce snake populations around summer camps and residences, keep the area free of brush and trash.

• Walk away from trouble. Snakes are rarely aggressive toward humans. If you encounter a snake, step back and give it some room to make its escape. Snakes give the appearance of being fast, but it's just an illusion created by the movement of their elongated bodies.

A quick retreat on your part can keep you out of trouble.

• Keep your hands to yourself. Avoid sticking your hands into rock piles, stacks of old boards, etc., especially in wooded areas, around water or in the vicinity of abandoned houses.

Don't put your hands under boards, logs or rocks you intend to move. Never, ever pick up a "dead" venomous snake. Snakes have a nasty habit of reviving after appearing to be dead. Do not molest live snakes.

He successfully completed intensive academic, physical and professional training, resulting in a bachelor of science degree with a major in systems engineering.

ENSIGN ARMBRESTER

Navy Ensign Robert H. Armbruster, a 1993 graduate of St. Stanislaus, recently graduated from the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., and was commissioned to his present rank in the United States Navy.

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The "WORD" for the Week

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I'll do it myself, thank you. I have the power to choose Christ, and I have the power to reject Christ. Don't tell me anything different.

Hi... The Bible says faith is a gift of God (Ephesians 2:8). Jesus said, "Unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (John 3:3). In other words, before a person can even see the things of God's kingdom, God must give that person a new heart and a new spirit.

John 3:1 says, "Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God." This means then a person exercises faith in Christ he or she is already indwelt by the Holy Spirit. Why? "Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the Kingdom of God" (John 3:5).

This is crucial. Do you think you have the native ability to and of

WEDDING

Moore-Green



Deborah Moore and Robert Green

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Moore Jr. of Leetown announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Deborah Elizabeth, to Robert Leslie Green of Waveland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Green of Hurley, Miss.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the Rev. and Mrs. John E. Moore Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Taylor of Leetown and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. McNeece of Pensacola, Fla.

She is a 1991 graduate of Hancock High School and a 1995 graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi with a degree in nursing. She is employed by the Surgery Suite in Slidell.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Mr. Francis Green and the late Marvin Green and Mrs. and Mr. Arthur TerKeurst of Hurley.

He is a 1988 graduate of East Central High School and a 1993 graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi with a degree in music education. He is employed by the Hancock County School System as band director at Hancock High School.

The wedding will take place Saturday, July 12, 1997 at 2 p.m. at Lee's Chapel No. 2 Baptist Church in Leetown. A reception will follow in the church fellowship hall.

Friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Gerald-Ladner

Kenny Ray Ladner of Lakeshore and Loyce Ladner of Diamondhead announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Shawn Marie Ladner, to Rock Allen Gerald, son of Annie Mae Gerald of Picayune and the late J. O. Gerald.

The wedding will take place July 19, 1997 at 6 p.m. in the American Legion Hall on Coleman Avenue in Waveland.

Family and friends are invited.

Eucharistic service

St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Diamondhead will have the Holy Eucharist, Rite II on Sunday at 10 a.m.

Christian Education for Adults is held at 9 a.m. and for children at 9:30 a.m.

A healing service and informal Eucharist is held Wednesday evenings at 7.

The Sunday 8 a.m. service will not be held June, July and August.

For information, call 255-9213.



50th wedding anniversary

Robert and Ruby Conrad of Bay St. Louis recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a party given by their children. They have six children, 13 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

I'll do it myself

yourself to place faith in Christ? Does your faith come from your un-renewed heart? Is your faith therefore something worthless you do? Watch out! You are bearing your salvation upon the righteous act you perform, not upon what God can do.

Everyone needs to trust in Christ and trust in Him. But there is no way back and no way out without first being born again. That's why Jesus says, "You must be born again" (John 3:7).

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Jung-Pagano

Mr. and Mrs. Antony Jung

Nicole Michelle Pagano and Antony Abraham Jung, both of Panama City, Fla., were united in marriage May 3, 1997, in St. Paul Catholic Church in Pass Christian. The ceremony was performed by Monsignor McGaugh.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Dorothy Presher and the late Michael Anthony Pagano. Maternal grandparents are Mrs. William Presher and the late Ilo E. Presher. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester A. Pagano Sr. of Pass Christian.

The groom is the son of Donald D. Jung of Great Falls, Mont., and Linda W. Jung of Warner Robbins, Ga.

Musical selections were provided by Tom Bourdine and soloist Mrs. Maggie Masterson.

Given in marriage by her uncle, Sylvester Pagano Jr., the bride chose a gown designed by Lazar. The fitted silk herringbone taffeta was fashioned with an off-the-shoulder neckline and short cap sleeves. From the dropped waist fell a full ballskirt of embroidered English net. Between the many layers of net were sprinkles of iridescent. She carried a free-form cascade of white roses, gardenias, dendrobium orchids and stephanotis.

Mrs. Wendy Hollingshead of Panama City, Fla., sister of the bride, served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Kellie Welch, Christina Mathis, Michelle Cofer and Ericha Mayall, all of Panama City. Amanda Nickles of Houma, La., cousin of the bride, was junior bridesmaid. Flower girl was Victoria Hollingshead of Panama City, niece of the bride.

The attendants wore full-length navy chiffon gowns and each carried an arm bouquet of Stargazer lilies, dendrobium orchids and sunset heather.

Rocky Kershner of Corpus Christi, Texas, served as best man. Groomsmen were Bory Terell, Kenneth Barnes, Edgar Glowacki, Charles Abbott, all of Panama City, and Michael Broom of Lafayette, La. Blake Butterworth of Pass Christian, cousin of the bride, was ring bearer.

Scripture readers were Mrs. Myrna Jordon of Long Beach and Mr. William Presher of Taylorsville, Miss., grandfather of the bride.

Following the ceremony a gala reception was hosted by Annie P.

Lutz, great-aunt of the bride, at Annie's Restaurant in Pass Christian.

On the eve of the wedding, Nicole and Tony were honored with a rehearsal dinner hosted by Mrs. Jackie Gex and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bienvenu.

After a wedding trip to Jamaica, the couple will reside in Orlando, Fla.

The groom is a state trooper with the Florida Highway Patrol. The bride will begin work on her doctoral degree in clinical psychology at Florida Institute of Technology.

Cunningham-Kolodziej

Mrs. Michael Cunningham

The marriage of Lieutenant Kelly Marie Kolodziej, USN, of Diamondhead and Mr. Michael Gerard Cunningham of Tampa, Fla., was solemnized May 24, 1997 during a noon Nuptial Mass at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Kolodziej of Diamondhead. The groom is the son of Mrs. Margaret Cunningham of Mount Laurel, N.J. and the late Patrick J. Cunningham.

The ceremony was officiated by the Reverend Henry McInerny assisted by the Reverend Peter Mockler.

Musical selections were presented by soloist Tammy Turnage and organist Alana Grantham.

Readings from scripture and prayers of the faithful were rendered by Noreen Cunningham of Mount Laurel, N.J., sister of the groom; Elise Seguin of Powell, Ohio; and Lieutenant Christopher J. Kolodziej, USN, of Virginia Beach, Va., brother of the bride.

Offertory gift bearers were Duncan and Mary Boyce, sisters of the groom, and their sons Matthew and Christopher, all of Boston, Mass. Eucharistic ministers were Michael and Mary Harris of Bay St. Louis, and their son, William, was altar server.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a formal Amsale gown of white silk and Alencon lace. The bodice featured a bateau neckline and short cap sleeves. A full skirt fell from a dropped waistline and swept into a cathedral train. A border of Alencon lace encircled the bottom of the hem. Her head-piece was a criss-cross shantung band appliqued with Alencon lace and finished with a fingertip veil of illusion. She carried a bouquet of white bridal

roses, stephanotis and white tulips.

Karen Rose Kolodziej of Diamondhead attended her sister as maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Katherine Boland of Monteville, N.J.; Tina Colacino of Denver, Colo.; and Eileen Doran of Atlanta, Ga. The attendants were attired in identical sleeveless white silk shantung floor-length gowns with square-cut necklines. They carried bouquets of brightly colored tulips.

Best man was Christopher Cunningham of Indianapolis, Ind., brother of the groom.

Groomsmen were Commander Patrick J. Cunningham Jr., USCG, of Groton, Conn., brother of the groom; Lieutenant Commander Gene Cunningham, USCG, of Sitka, Alaska, brother of the groom; and Bryan Doran of Atlanta, Ga.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at The Great Southern Club in Gulfport, with music provided by Perfect Image of Mobile, Ala.

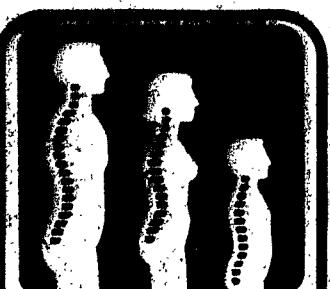
Mrs. Margaret Cunningham hosted a rehearsal dinner at St. Amant's in Bay St. Louis for the families and wedding party.

The bridesmaids' luncheon was hosted by Karen Kolodziej at The Blue Dish in Bay St. Louis.

A brunch was hosted on the morning after the wedding by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Carron and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Harris at the Carron home in Bay St. Louis.

A holiday bridal shower had been previously hosted by Mr. and Mrs. James Hourin and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nolan of Diamondhead at the Hourin home in Diamondhead.

Upon their return from a wedding trip to Peter Island Resort, British Virgin Islands, the couple will reside in Tampa, Fla.

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Business Review

It is a fact that Diamondhead is becoming one of the fastest developing communities on the gulf coast. Judy Feraci, owner of Judy's Junction, feels that with the residential building boom and the possibility of a casino in the area, that Diamondhead would be a logical location for her restaurant.

Feraci is one of the smart business owners that has selected Diamondhead as her restaurant's location and propane gas from Blossman Gas as her restaurant's cooking vehicle. Feraci said, "I just think food tastes better when it is prepared using gas instead of electric. The cooking temperature is much easier to control and you are much less likely to scorch or burn foods when cooking with gas." Every piece of kitchen equipment in Feraci's restaurant is propane powered, including her convection oven.

The reliable cooking temperatures provided by propane gas from Blossman Gas is one of the reasons why Judy's Junction serves some of the tastiest seafood, pastas, po-boys and of course, pizzas. Judy's Junction is open seven days a week and provides delivery to Diamondhead after 5:00 P.M. Feraci added, "With my busy schedule, it is comforting to know that I can rely on Blossman's trained service technicians to maintain my commercial kitchen appliances to keep them operating smoothly and the employees of Blossman Gas have all been so prompt, courteous and knowledgeable."

Energy Management Consultant for Blossman Gas, Inc., Don Hessemer said, "Many restaurants along the coast are converting to propane gas from Blossman. They are discovering how propane is more efficient, more economical and is the best way to prepare food with the added benefit of being environmentally correct."

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Judy Feraci of Judy's Junction pictured with Don Hessemer, Energy Management Consultant with Blossman Gas, Inc.

MISSISSIPPI GOVERNOR'S CONCERTS about alligators

Warm weather has caused an increase in the number of alligators in the state. This means the Mississippi Department of Natural Resources and Parks biologists and local residents. The areas where most people are encountering alligators are the Ross Barnett Reservoir, the Pearl River and the backwaters of the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

With the increase in alligators comes an increase in questions. Residents who see an alligator want to know what to do about the gator and who to call. The MDWFP has jurisdiction in the removal of alligators anywhere in the state.

Anytime you encounter an alligator, is asked to call the MDWFP District Office that serves the county or the local authorities. Do not approach the alligator or try to scare it off or make it leave.

A conservation officer will be dispatched to the scene and will assess what to do with the unwanted visitor. All bystanders are asked to leave the area to reduce the risk of injury to them and the officers. Even large alligators are very quick.

People need to be aware of a few important things. It is against the law for anyone to feed an alligator. It may be interesting to place table scraps or other food out for the alligators, but this creates a dangerous situation. By feeding alligators, they begin to associate people with food and lose their natural fear of people.

Also remember, if you have seen an alligator in a particular area of a lake or body of water frequently, it would be best not to swim or play there.

Public Notice

NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BIDS
Sealed bids will be received by the Hancock County Equine and Livestock Facilities Board at the residence of Johnnie Richard, Secretary, 5250 Azalea Circle, Pass Christian, Mississippi, 39061 until 6:00 P.M. August 6, 1997 or until 6:30 P.M. of the same day at the regular meeting of the Board to be held in the Kinn Community Center located on Highway 43 in Hancock County, Mississippi.

The bush-hogging of eighty acres of land under lease by the Hancock County Equine and Livestock Facilities Board to the Kinn Community Center, which is a non-profit organization, may be terminated by the Board if the amount of usable hay, bids shall be no less than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars.

A performance bond or equal, in the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars will be required of the successful bidder.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Published by order of the Hancock County Equine and Livestock Facilities Board.

Johnnie Richard
Secretary-Treasurer
7-6; 7-13-97

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Dole White House shall exclude, prevent, deny, or make and distinction on any admission or medical treatment in regard to race, color, age, gender, physical or mental handicap, or national origin. All services provided in this institution shall be uniformly applied regardless of race, color, creed, age, handicap, or national origin in regard to treatment, admission policies and procedures, hiring, promotion, training, and placement of faculty and staff, personnel training notification of available services and non-discrimination policies and referral.

No program or activity of Dole White House shall exclude from participation, deny benefits to or subject to discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, age, gender, physical or mental handicap, or national origin, in accordance with the provisions of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and all regulations issued thereunder to protect the rights including: mental and physically handicapped persons, age, gender, color, creed, or national origin.

All people, regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, age, gender, physical or mental handicap or national origin, are entitled to equal opportunity in all programs provided by the nursing home, recreation, meals and transfers, staff privileges, personnel training notification of available services and non-discrimination policies and referral.

Robert M. Perry
Administrator
7-3; 7-6; 7-13-97

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES
PUBLIC NOTICE**
A public hearing to consider an adjustment to the Coastal Wetlands Use Plan contained in the Mississippi Coastal Program to accommodate an "I"-Industrial use designation on the coastal water bottom south of the narrow on South Beach Boulevard, west of Sand Bayou, Hancock County, Mississippi, is scheduled for Thursday, July 17, 1997 at 6:00 p.m., at the Gulfview Elementary School, 6590 Lakeshore Road, Lakewood, Mississippi 39555.

Additional information regarding this project may be obtained by contacting the Coastal Ecology Division of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources at (601) 365-5860.

6-29; 7-6; 7-13-97

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
The Bay St. Louis City Council will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, July 8, 1997, in order to determine if the following described property should be declared a menace to the public's health, safety and welfare:

Ernest Wootton - property located in the 200 block of Leonard Avenue, described as Lots 1 and 2, Block 4, Leonard Subdivision, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi.

The public hearing will be held in the City Hall Annex, 111 Court Street, at 7:00 a.m. All affected property owners and other interested parties are invited to attend.

ANDREA L. LEE
CLERK OF COUNCIL
6-22; 6-29; 7-6-97

**IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

HERBERT HIGGINS, PLAINTIFF

VERSUS

PATRICK L. LOUPE; PATBY LOUPE; LMG PROPERTIES, INC.; T & L DEFENDANTS

JURISDICTION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, PLAINTIFF

To: Bobbi D. Associates, and any and all persons having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in property described as Lot 6, Maledert Point, Phase 6, White Cypress Lakes, AA54/404, AA91/145, Hancock County, Mississippi, being sold for taxes on August 1993.

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT
The complaint which is attached to this summons is important and YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.

You have been made a defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Herbert Higgins, plaintiff, seeking to confirm title to property sold for taxes in 1993. Defendants other than you in this action are LMG Properties, Inc., White Cypress Lakes, AA54/404, AA91/145, Hancock Credit Corp., Attorney General for the State of Mississippi, Milton G. Gil, Jr., Barbara T. Gill and the District Attorney for Hancock County, Mississippi.

You are requested to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint to James W. Gladson, Jr., of the law firm of Montague, Pitman & Varnado, P.A., 1000 North Main Street, Suite 1000, Jackson, MS 39201, or to my office, 1785, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, 39201, no later than July 23, 1997.

Specific responses must be obtained by the 20th day of August, 1997. Failure to respond will result in a default judgment being entered against you.

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